

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 9, 2014

H.R. 4283

A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain or replace certain facilities and structures for commercial recreation services at Smith Gulch in Idaho, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 19, 2014

H.R. 4283 would require the Secretary of Agriculture to permit private entities to repair or replace certain commercial facilities on Forest Service land in Idaho. Based on information provided by the Forest Service, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would not affect the federal budget. Enacting H.R. 4283 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

Based on information provided by the Forest Service, CBO expects that, under current law, the agency would issue permits to allow commercial operators to repair or replace the affected facilities. In addition, commercial operators are required to pay administrative costs associated with granting or renewing such permits. Therefore, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4283 would not affect the federal budget.

H.R. 4283 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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